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**LETTER**

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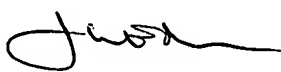
On September 15, 2004, Applicants received from the Assignment Division a Notice of Recordation of Assignment document for this application. Attached to the Notice was the original Claim for Priority which Applicants submitted to the Office on March 15, 2004. The attached Claim for Priority is date stamped as having been received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 15, 2004.

Applicants submit that the attached Claim for Priority was inadvertently returned by the Assignment Division to Applicants' counsel in error, and therefore, Applicants are returning this document to be placed back into the official file of this application for completion of the Office's records.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CLAIM FOR PRIORITY**

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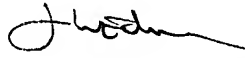
Under the provisions of Section 119 of 35 U.S.C., Applicants hereby claim the benefit of the filing date of Japanese Patent Application Number 2002-346180, filed November 28, 2002, for the above identified United States Patent Application.

In support of Applicants' claim for priority, a certified copy of the priority application is filed herewith.

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